

General Assembly

Amendment

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Offered by:

REP. SHABAN, 135th Dist.

To: House Bill No. **5452**

File No. 153

Cal. No. 135

"AN ACT CONCERNING A PRESCRIPTION DRUG EDUCATION PROGRAM."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 51-181b of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):
- 5 [(a)] The Chief Court Administrator [may] shall, using existing staff
- 6 and resources of the Judicial Department, the Division of Criminal
- 7 <u>Justice and the Division of Public Defender Services</u>, establish in [any]
- 8 <u>each</u> court location or juvenile matters court location a docket separate
- 9 from other criminal or juvenile matters for the hearing of criminal or
- 10 juvenile matters in which a defendant is a drug-dependent person, as
- defined in section 21a-240. The docket shall be available to offenders
- 12 who could benefit from placement in a substance abuse treatment
- 13 program.
- 14 [(b) The Chief Court Administrator shall establish, within the

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15 appropriations designated in public act 03-1 of the June 30 special

- 16 session for said purpose, one or more drug courts for the hearing of
- 17 criminal or juvenile matters in which a defendant is a drug-dependent
- 18 person, as defined in section 21a-240, who could benefit from

19 placement in a substance abuse treatment program.]"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: